



TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

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NOTICE

DOCKET 97-01181

IN RE: Small Telephone Companies Tariff Filings Regarding Reclassification of Pay Telephone Service as Required by Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Docket 96-128

DATE: July 12, 2000

FCC Order 96-128 requires that all local exchange carriers have rates established that comply with the FCC Order 96-128. Such rates will be applied retroactively to April 15, 1997. On July 11, 2000, a pre-hearing conference was held in Docket No. 97-00409. *In Re: All Telephone Companies Tariff Filings Regarding Reclassification of Pay Telephone Service as Required by Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Docket 96-128*. At this pre-hearing conference, the Hearing Officer established the following procedural schedule for Docket No. 97-00409:

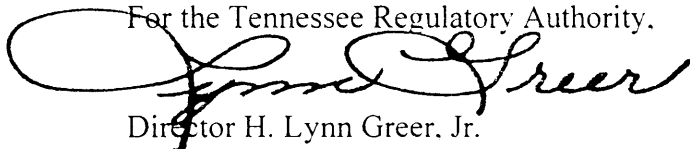
- Discovery requests must be filed with the Authority and served on all parties by **2:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 25, 2000**.
- Responses to Discovery must be filed with the Authority and served on all parties by **2:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 15, 2000**.
- Proposed payphone access line rates with detailed cost support shall be filed with the Authority and served on all parties no later than **Friday, September 15, 2000 at 2:00 p.m.**
- Pre-filed Direct Testimony shall be filed with the Authority and served on all parties no later than **Friday, September 15, 2000 at 2:00 p.m.**
- Discovery requests must be filed with the Authority and served on all parties by **2:00 p.m., Friday, September 22, 2000**. Such requests shall be limited to the information contained in the September 15, 2000 filings.
- Responses to Discovery must be filed with the Authority and served on all parties by **2:00 p.m., Friday, September 29, 2000**.
- Rebuttal to Pre-filed Direct Testimony shall be filed with the Authority and served on all parties no later than **Friday, October 6, 2000 at 2:00 p.m.**

The Hearing Officer also ruled at the July 11, 2000, pre-hearing conference that the following options for proceeding in Docket No. 97-01181 would be considered:

1. Combine the proceedings and permit local exchange companies not under price regulation to file proposed rates in Docket No. 97-00409 pursuant to the above procedural schedule;
2. Maintain separate proceedings and permit the local exchange companies not under price regulation to file proposed rates in Docket No. 97-01181; or
3. Maintain separate proceedings and allow local exchange companies not under price regulation to intervene in Docket No. 97-00409 for the limited purpose of commenting on the proposed rates filed by the current parties to Docket No. 97-00409.

All parties in Docket No. 97-01181 are hereby requested to file comments on these options by July 21, 2000 at 2:00 p.m. Any motion to modify the schedule for filing comments must be made in writing and filed with the office of the Executive Secretary. Copies of any motion must be served on all parties. All parties are entitled to be represented by counsel.

For the Tennessee Regulatory Authority,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "H. Lynn Greer, Jr.", written over a horizontal line.

Director H. Lynn Greer, Jr.
Hearing Officer

c: Parties of Record